

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: adams@chuck.dallas.sgi.com (chuck adams)
Subject: [1869] Attenuators
Message-ID: <199507200715.CAA14513@chuck.dallas.sgi.com>

Gang,

My mistake as pointed out by several and I have corrected it. The ARRL Handbook is correct. I just didn't factor in the source load of 50 ohms.

So back to the drawing board. It's very very early so better turn on 40M rig and work 5a1 or whatever everyone is excited about. :-)

dit dit

--

Chuck Adams K5FO CP-60 adams@sgi.com

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: tmh@world.std.com
Subject: [1873] Cascade Update?
Message-ID: <Pine.3.89.9507201055.A27424-0100000@world.std.com>

Could someone please update me on the preparation of the Cascade orders?

Last month I was arm-twisted into running for prez. of the Boston Amateur Radio Club (BARC) --

=====

Public Service Announcement!!

Visit BARC's Homepage:

<http://www.acs.oakland.edu/barc.html>

=====

anyway, people foolishly elected me, and I've been pretty busy, which has meant only downloading the 3DAY.QRP digests, and not all that regularly.

I think August 15 was the projected Cascade shipping date, has it been moved back? Also, my order number is well over fifty, how will that affect things? I'm not really concerned if the shipping date has changed, now that I have all this bureaucratic paper to shuffle...

Tim N1PAZ
Boston Amateur Radio Club
tmh@world.std.com

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: martyr@mhmt.com
Subject: [1885] Curtis Keyer Phone #
Message-ID: <m0sZ4cw-000JQPC@rmii.com>

I am trying to reach Curtis Electro Devices directly to see if they still have their "out-of warranty" replacement offer on an old 8044. The 415-964-3846 # (Mountain View, Ca.) I had doesn't answer and Mouser (a distributor) doesn't have any # at all.
Any info would be appreciated.
Thanks and 72,
Marty, W00Q

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: "Tim Stabler" <TSTABLER@iunhaw1.iun.indiana.edu>
Subject: [1884] Hambrew
Message-ID: <AE2B16E19@iunhaw1.iun.indiana.edu>

I do not know how many subscribe to Hambrew magazine but the summer issue has some good stuff about Dayton, MXM Industries and the push for a 6 meter rig to help no-codes get into business. Also have an email address for Hambrew at: andromedo@aol.com

72 de Tim Stabler WB9NLZ

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: Johnson Russ <JohnsonR@rnd2.indy.tce.com>
Subject: [1882] How is the qrp+ receiver sensitivity?
Message-ID: <300EDA53@MSMAIL.INDY.TCE.COM>

Marty,

I get the QRP-L list by daily digest so this may be a day or so late.

I have a new (just before Field Day) QRP+ and a Kenwood TS-50. I set them both up with my antenna switch turned around so I could switch between the two rigs and any signal I could hear on the TS-50 could also be heard on the QRP+ equally well. This test was on 40 meters and was by ear only but I think it was a good test. I work mostly CW and have only one SSB (75 meters) contact with the QRP+ and it works very well. I would like to improve the AGC for CW operation though. I am not an electronics designer so will have to wait for some suggestions from others as far as component changes to try. The filtering in the QRP+ is better than the TS-50 and I do have the CW filter in the Kenwood.

I have been using the QRP+ in the car (CW mobile QRP) and have now worked 8 states on 40 Meters. The band conditions have been very poor so contacts are not easy to come by.

Even though it is not perfect, it is hard to beat when you look at features vs cost.

Russ Johnson
johnsonr@indy.tce.com

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: Mike.Czuhajewski@bbs.abs.net (Mike Czuhajewski)
Subject: [1880] New files at ftp.lehigh.edu
Message-ID: <1995Jul20.134729.12232@abs.net>

I finally got around to it, and started uploading some of my files to the archives (in the directory pub/listserv/qrp-1/Archives). So far I've put several of my equipment reviews, in the reviews subdir; these are things that have already been published in the QRP Quarterly. I'll put more of my published articles there soon. I have at least 9 more which have been found on my disk, with many more lurking there. All I haveto do now is find the binder with the last 5 years of the QRP Quarterly so I can look up specific references, which I put with the files. I'll give high priority to putting my RS-12 files there :-)
73 and Queue Our Pea DE WA8MCQ

--

Mike Czuhajewski, user of the UniBoard System @ abs.net
E-Mail: Mike.Czuhajewski@bbs.abs.net
The WB3FFV Amateur Radio BBS - Located in Baltimore, Maryland USA
Supporting the Amateur Radio Hobby, and TCP/IP InterNetworking

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: Clark Fishman (FSAC) <cfishman@fsac3.pica.army.mil>

Subject: [1875] Receivers

Message-ID: <9507201034.aa07513@FSAC3.PICA.ARMY.MIL>

Good one for Rob, K06KA, receiver sensitivity ain't everything

It's an easy and cheap spec to achieve...high dynamic range and the ability to hand weak signals in the presence of monster signals is very important.

I would rather spend a few bucks on a goooooood receiver front end then have 400 memory channels....

Excellent receiver performance can be had with home brew equipment ... if you know what your doing..

Clark Fishman WA2UNN cfishman@pica.army.mil

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995

From: tbowman@leba.net

Subject: [1871] VXO or VFO???

Message-ID: <199507201035.GAA27612@fig.leba.net>

The August QST article "a Rock-Bending Receiver for 7 mHz" features a "VXO" using a xtal the author says moves 50 kHz. From my limited experience, I thought VXOs moved about 7 or so KHz at 7 megs. PLUS it appears the xtal is a FT-243 which I've always read had even less swing....

So, is this really a VXO or is the circuit actually a VFO with a xtal in place. I guess I could solve this by building the circuit and shorting out the xtal with a piece of wire.

This really isn't Zen and the Art of VXOs- I just feel QST should have called this a VFO and confused fewer people including myself...Oh, well....

73, Tom, WA3REY

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995

From: bruce.florip@amail.amdahl.com

Subject: [1863] Wilderness Radio NC40a arrives..

Message-ID: <m0sYihx-0000G2C@juts.ccc.amdahl.com>

They must be showing up all over the country! Mine came yesterday as well!

Anybody have any thoughts on the "current band of choice" ?

I've heard of NorCals on 30, 40, and 80. Which gets the points for most fun?

By the way, How many radios can a man have? If there is a limit on total number, or on number of one model, I may be violating a rule... This may be my 5th NorCal 40!

Cheers! Bruce Florip aa7ar/6 Santa Clara, Ca. baf00@amail.amdahl.com

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: Mike.Czuhajewski@bbs.abs.net (Mike Czuhajewski)
Subject: [1881] Wrong FTP location for my files
Message-ID: <1995Jul20.135131.12745@abs.net>

Ignore that "Archives" in my last message. That's what I get for doing this from memory at work on my lunch hour. I did a quick ftp over to lehigh.edu and looked at the qrp-1 area and realized I blew it. (Sorry, I'm not that familiar with the structure of the qrp-1 area there yet.) My files thus far are in "reviews", not "Archives", and future ones will also be found in various other areas, depending on the topic. 73 and Queue Our Pea DE WA8MCQ

--

Mike Czuhajewski, user of the UniBoard System @ abs.net
E-Mail: Mike.Czuhajewski@bbs.abs.net
The WB3FFV Amateur Radio BBS - Located in Baltimore, Maryland USA
Supporting the Amateur Radio Hobby, and TCP/IP InterNetworking

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: Glen Leinweber <leinwebe@mcmail.CIS.McMaster.CA>
Subject: [1879] Xtal calibrator/marker generator
Message-ID: <1995Jul20.115741-0400@[130.113.234.7]>

Hi everyone,

Here's a simple Xtal controlled marker generator for our little rigs with "questionable" dials. It takes very little power (CMOS) and very little space.

I've a bad habit of re-inventing wheels, so my apologies to anyone whose circuit is similar...this is a fairly obvious one and I'd be surprised if it hasn't been published before.

Ouput is selectable at 40 khz, 20 khz, 10 khz or 5 khz intervals.

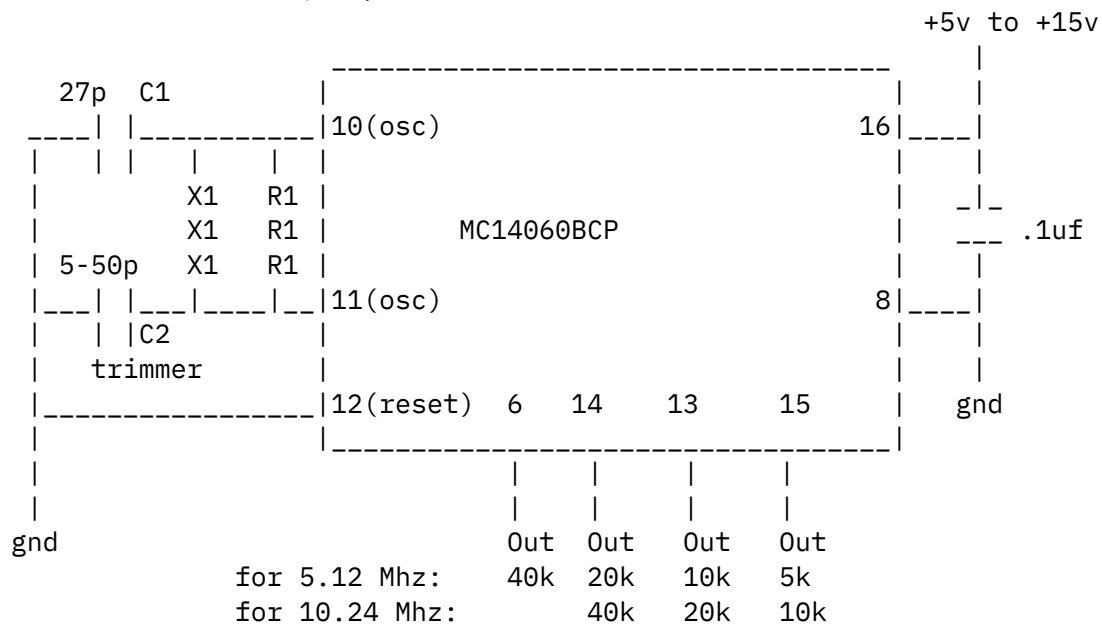
Markers are good up thru 30 Mhz at least.

The chip generic # is a CMOS 4060:

Motorola: MC14060

Harris/RCA/National: CD4060 (DIGI_KEY CD4060BCN-ND \$.91)

There's also a HCMOS version too, although I haven't tried it:
(DIGI-KEY CD74HCT4060E-ND \$.94)



C1...27pf, NP0 disk preferred
C2...small trimmer cap...used to trim oscillator frequency
nominal capacitance about 25 pf
R1...220k to 1MEG resistor
X1...5.12000 Mhz microprocessor xtal

A 2" wire attached to one of the outputs should provide enough signal for your receiver.

If you have a frequency counter, adjust the trimmer for exactly 5.12 Mhz on pin 9. Otherwise, tune in WWV, WWVH and adjust the trim capacitor to zero-beat one of the 40Khz markers.

If you do try the HCMOS (CD74HCT4060E) you'll have to limit the supply voltage to no more than 6v DC, 5v nominal. This one might work OK with a 10.240 Mhz crystal (DIGI-KEY SE3421-ND) \$1.29, but you'll lose the 5Khz output.

No association with DIGI-KEY here... blah blah blah.

Enjoy,

Glen Leinweber VE3DNL leinwebe@mcmail.mcmaster.ca

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: "Mark E. Monninger" <markem@primenet.com>
Subject: [1876] Re: Cascade Update, Numbers, etc.
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.91.950720074106.21364A-100000@usr2.primenet.com>

I, too, was wondering about how things were progressing on the Cascade.

Not that I'm anxious to get it or anything.

Tim mentioned an order number. I don't recall receiving an order number when I sent my check in. Any way to find it out?

Also on the subject of numbers, I often see mention of membership numbers for NorCal members. I don't recall receiving a membership number when I joined NorCal. Any way to find that out? No big deal, just curious.

I'd rather folks worked on getting the Cascade kitted than answer questions like this. I'd be willing to help but don't know if there's anything I could do, long distance.

73... Mark AA7TA NorCal member ??????

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: Clark Savage Turner WA3JPG <turner@safety.ICS.UCI.EDU>
Subject: [1883] Re: How is the qrp+ receiver sensitivity?
Message-ID: <27718.806273151@safety.ics.uci.edu>

Russ finds that the QRP+ hears anything that the TS 50 hears on 40 meters. I like that. Alot.

Now, not being an owner of the QRP+ (yet?!?!), I am even more curious how it stacks up on a quiet band like 17 or 15 when the signals are weak. That is where sensitivity might make the difference over selectivity. My guess is that you lose just a bit with the QRP+, but I would love to be wrong, hi hi.

I also appreciate the attitude Russ uses. He actually compares the two radios. After so many QSO's with guys on the air (and I am guilty, too, I must admit, though not in the future!) - where some fellow says, "my Yahoo FT 10,000 deluxe is the quietest receiver around!" ... and I ask "do you have another receiver there to compare it with on the same antenna?" and, alas, no, he doesn't need to do that to tell me what a "quiet" receiver it is. I suspect that this "quiet" I always hear about is really the high frequency rolloff characteristics of the audio amp in these rigs. I have a TS 130 that is "quiet" and not piercing in the audio, where my friend's TS 850 is "noisy" in the sense that the high frequency does not roll off so quickly and the audio is tiring and ragged.

Oh, well, off my soapbox. Anyone know the true import of the "quiet"

parameter for a receiver? I had a Ten Tec Corsair II, and alongside it my Kenwood 440. I went up to 15 meters on a quiet night. Anything I could hear with the Corsair II I could also hear with my 440. The Corsair II was clearly a little more selective and handled strong signal interference better. But, the "quietness" was something I could NOT tell with my mortal ears.

Yow, who wound me up? Maybe it was the caffeine. My CW is a bit jittery too....

Clark
WA3JPG

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: rarland@epix.net
Subject: [1866] Re: Is this the right place?
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950719202326.18476B-1000000@mango.epix.net>

Hi Ron:

I used to bowhunt and handgun hunt, also. Havent for a couple of years. It's too dangerous around here with all the Jersey hunters and their cases of scotch whiskey!!

I don't fly fish, but I do enjoy trout fishing and have caught my share of bass.

My other main vice is photography. I used to teach it in the AF at the base hobby shop. Have three Nikons and a bag (or two) full of lenses. My favorite format is 35mm although I'd like to get a 4 X 5 view camera and play Ansel Adams for a while.

My secret fetish is model railroading. I have a basement full of HO stuff, but not time or space to put together a pike. Steamtown Nat'l Park (Congressman McDade's porkbarrel project) is only 15 miles away and Tricia and I take between 3 and 4 excursion trips (steam power, of course) each year.

73 rich

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: GREGOIRE@VALLEY.NET (ERNEST GREGOIRE)
Subject: [1874] Re: Is this the right place?
Message-ID: <199507201415.KAA29730@dartvax.dartmouth.edu>

>Hmmmmmm,
>
>QRP and FlyFishing.....I also do both. Is this a
>common trait?
>
>I also bow hunt. (And some handgun hunting).
>
>Maybe we are just a bunch of folks that like doing things
>the hard way!
>
>73, Ron, dah, dah (I'm three times slower than Chuck)
>
>.....KU7Y.....ARCI #8829.....Monte "Ron" Stark.....
>....ku7y@sage.dri.edu.....Sun Valley, Nevada....
>.....ARRL.....NorCal #330.....NRA LIFE.....

Hello Ron, I'm not surprised at your other activities at all.
I Bow hunted and worked the 3d target bow shoots too.
I don't do much hand gun shooting any more, not because I don't like
it, but there is only one of me :) I still have lots of coffee cans
full of reloads ready to go,38's mostly. But my favorite is the 44.
I'm a big recoil fan, and I love to shoot my Red Hawk.

de AA1IK	(Lead by example, It is much easier)
	(to pull a string than it is to push it.)
Ernie Gregoire	()
Canaan, NH.	()
	(_____)

e-mail : GREGOIRE@VALLEY.NET
packet : AA1IK@WA1WOK.FN43FE.NH.USA

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: GREGOIRE@VALLEY.NET (ERNEST GREGOIRE)
Subject: [1877] Re: Is this the right place?
Message-ID: <199507201547.LAA24714@dartvax.dartmouth.edu>

>Hi Ernest, or is it Nils?
>
>Check your log book, we have worked.
>
>I assume the comments are directed at me. Keep in mind that I make more
>than enough to buy whichever rig I choose and that there is a 6 week wait
>on both the index labs and mfj's so what is the rush. Might as well ask

>and check'em out, right?

>

>72, Mark, N2VPK

Hello Mark,

I know about the wait alright, I was "2weeked" to frustration when I ordered mine. If I had the money to get an Omni I would do it in a heart beat. I don't think the receiver can be beat. I wouldnt part with my QRP+ either. I look at it like a golfer using only one club. I like the Qrp but it's not the only thing I do.

de AA1IK	(Lead by example, It is much easier)
	(to pull a string than it is to push it.)
Ernie Gregoire	()
Canaan, NH.	()
	(_____)

e-mail : GREGOIRE@VALLEY.NET

packet : AA1IK@WA1WOK.FN43FE.NH.USA

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995

From: rheiss@tuba.aix.calpoly.edu

Subject: [1868] Re: PCB layout

Message-ID: <9507200557.AA05674@tuba.aix.calpoly.edu>

[SNIP! Kenwood specsmanSHIP deleted.]

> Don't expect to get those kinds of numbers from cheap kits. The only
> kit that I have that has that kind of sensitivity in the receiver is
> the MXM xcvr and it has a dual conversion receiver. Some people have
> measured it at -140 dBm, but I haven't seen 'em put it in writing yet.
> Time will tell.

> Stay tuned and let the flames begin.

Gee, a study showed -115 dBm noise from 40 meters on quiet evenings. So that extra 25 dB (300 times) front end gain goes to waste and risks overloading the receiver's weak link with amplified QRM.

IMHO, it's folly to look at the easy-to-measure performance numbers (sensitivity, selectivity, drift, audio power) and then come to a conclusion about weak signal performance in real band conditions. If the band is open, surely there are some QRO signals you don't want

to hear. What about ultimate rejection, intermodulation, phase noise? Those are harder to test and much harder to explain, so most reviewers don't bother.

For the non-specialist, the sensible thing to do is to compare receivers by connecting both through A/B switches to the same antenna and headphones. When the band is open and busy, tune in a weak station and adjust the audio gains for the same loudness. Which sounds cleaner?

Now for the torture test. ;-) Does the rig depend on an audio filter (or SCAF or DSP) for CW selectivity or the notch? Try to reject QRM which is stronger than the desired signal. Better, try to find a weak signal next to *two* strong signals, all heard simultaneously with the CW filter off. Could you use the receiver to work the weak signal?

Of course, all this doesn't matter to the QRP kit user if he/she follows the standard QRP advice and calls the loudest stations on the band. I'm interested in receivers because of a preference for two-way QRP contacts. How about a kit receiver better than my Argo 509? I'd like one.

73, Rob K06KA
rheiss@tuba.calpoly.edu

From qrp-l@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: rgobrick@public.compusult.nf.ca (Robert J. Gobrick)
Subject: [1872] Re: PCB layout
Message-ID: <199507201348.LAA03599@public.compusult.nf.ca>

Rob,

You bring up a good point about a number of other tests that may be more meaningful to judge a receiver. And in particular there is nothing like doing some A/B testing. I have lots of rigs from a TS-850 and IC-736 down to my little NN1G 40-40. I can't explain it (well I can look at circuitry and the complexity or non-complexity of a circuit) but I am continually amazed at how my little 40-40 performs receive wise as compared to my big rigs and other qrp rigs I have (Norcal 40, Sierra , Argosy etc).

The receive audio signal in the 40-40 just sounds so CLEAN. No phase noise, decent IF (not great but decent), decent audio shaping for the cw signal, no AGC so you get what you hear (in addition to the RF gain I also have a volume control in-line on my Radio Shack Nova 42 earphones). So it pays to actually use a rig and make some comparisons on what works. Having said all that there are times that I'd like to see individual features from other receivers in my 40-40, but then again I haven't seen (heard) the perfect receiver yet - hi. And of course, just by looking at the circuit you know

that the NE-602 is going to buckle at times with loud signals near by, so that has to be taken into consideration - but the 40-40 sure does sound good to me under "normal" conditions.

Thanks to you and Chuck for your observations.

73/72 Bob V01DRB/WA6ERB

>[SNIP! Kenwood specsman'ship deleted.]
>
>> Don't expect to get those kinds of numbers from cheap kits. The only
>> kit that I have that has that kind of sensitivity in the receiver is
>> the MXM xcvr and it has a dual conversion receiver. Some people have
>> measured it at -140 dBm, but I haven't seen 'em put it in writing yet.
>> Time will tell.
>
>> Stay tuned and let the flames begin.
>
>Gee, a study showed -115 dBm noise from 40 meters on quiet evenings. So
>that extra 25 dB (300 times) front end gain goes to waste and risks
>overloading the receiver's weak link with amplified QRM.
>
>IMHO, it's folly to look at the easy-to-measure performance numbers
>(sensitivity, selectivity, drift, audio power) and then come to a
>conclusion about weak signal performance in real band conditions.
>If the band is open, surely there are some QRO signals you don't want
>to hear. What about ultimate rejection, intermodulation, phase noise?
>Those are harder to test and much harder to explain, so most reviewers
>don't bother.
>
>For the non-specialist, the sensible thing to do is to compare receivers
>by connecting both through A/B switches to the same antenna and
>headphones. When the band is open and busy, tune in a weak station and
>adjust the audio gains for the same loudness. Which sounds cleaner?
>
>Now for the torture test. ;-) Does the rig depend on an audio filter
>(or SCAF or DSP) for CW selectivity or the notch? Try to reject QRM
>which is stronger than the desired signal. Better, try to find a weak
>signal next to *two* strong signals, all heard simultaneously with the
>CW filter off. Could you use the receiver to work the weak signal?
>
>Of course, all this doesn't matter to the QRP kit user if he/she follows
>the standard QRP advice and calls the loudest stations on the band. I'm
>interested in receivers because of a preference for two-way QRP contacts.
>How about a kit receiver better than my Argo 509? I'd like one.
>
>73, Rob K06KA

>rheiss@tuba.calpoly.edu

>

>

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: w9sz@prairienet.org (Zack Widup)
Subject: [1862] Re: RE: QRP vs DX
Message-ID: <9507192320.AA15896@prairienet.org>

>

>I don't think there's anything to feel guilty about if you crank up the power
>when necessary. To me, low power is just like thje FCC definition: 'only
>enough for reliable communications'. If you need more to make contact, so be
>it, that's low compared to the people who just leave the linear on.

>

>73's d AE4KN

>

>

>

Sometimes you need it; I never did work the N9NS/KH5K gang with 150 watts
and 25+ hours of calling! (Ouch!)

OTOH, Jacky 3B8CF is probably the easiest to work with QRP ... he has
GREAT ears and NO NOISE! I'm going to try for him with under a watt the
next time I hear him on.

73, Zack W9SZ

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: prvalko <prvalko@Oakland.edu>
Subject: [1864] Re: Rockloop antenna and SWL 30 power ou
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.91.950719194715.18792A-100000@saturn.acs.oakland.edu>

On Wed, 19 Jul 1995, Charles A. Rubenstein wrote:

> On Wed, 19 Jul 1995 Jim.Nestor@ey.com wrote:

<SNIP! 49 lines of quoted message deleted, which were followed by a two
line comment>

> Jess, a drawing with dimensions would be real nice. This could be a neat
> project ant.

What else is neat is a FRIENDLY reminder, folks learn to use your mail
editors!

73! =paul= wb8zjl

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: "Charles A. Rubenstein" <rubenc@iglou.com>
Subject: [1865] Re: Rockloop antenna and SWL 30 power ou
Message-ID: <Pine.SOL.3.91.950719201240.22253B-1000000@iglou.iglou.com>

On Wed, 19 Jul 1995, prvalko wrote:

>
> What else is neat is a FRIENDLY reminder, folks learn to use your mail
> editors!

>
Please forgive me. I will try to be more careful about original text.
Charlie

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: Joachim Seibert <Joachim.Seibert@urz.uni-heidelberg.de>
Subject: [1870] Re: Subscription?
Message-ID: <Pine.3.87.9507201030.A23913-0100000@aixterm4.urz.uni-heidelberg.de>

On Wed, 19 Jul 1995 MSADAMS@ubvms.cc.buffalo.edu wrote:

> Secondly, if anyone else owns an MFJ 9420 SSB rig please give me a shout.
> I would like to know what you think of it.

One of my friends owns this rig. He likes it very much. The few contacts,
I did with the radio, were very well. We broke pileups for DX and IOTA
with the MFJ and a dipole only.

vy 72, Joachim DL1GSJ

Joachim Seibert

Astronomisches Recheninstitut Heidelberg
Moenchhofstr. 12-14, D-69120 Heidelberg

Internet: Joachim.Seibert@urz.uni-heidelberg.de
Telefon : ++49 6221 405242 or ++49 6221 405235
FAX : ++49 6221 405297

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: bruce.florip@amail.amdahl.com
Subject: [1878] Re: Wilderness Radio NC40a arriv
Message-ID: <m0sYxrb-00000dC@juts.ccc.amdahl.com>

Hi Charlie,

Thanks for the note. The Wildernes folks only offer the NC-40A on 40 meters as far as I know.

The usual method is to build them and get them running on the band they were designed for. After that the conversion and fun begins. The NorCal QRPp quarterly newsletter has or will have conversion for most popular bands.

So, If it's your first kit (the Radiokit QRP-20 doesn't count) I'd build and enjoy it on 40M.

I have a Radiokit QRP-20 about 90% complete in a box. I disliked the thing so much that I went on to better things. Some winter night may bring some new inspirtation to finish it. You'll have no problem with the NC-40A. They are wonderfully designed, and the instructions are just that... not like the "hints" that came with the original Radiokits.

Keep me posted on the progress,

73, Bruce Florip aa7ar/6

----- (Forwarded letter 1 follows) -----

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: rarland@epix.net
Subject: [1867] Re: Wilderness Radio NC40a arrives..
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950719202820.18476C-1000000@mango.epix.net>

According to Mr. Dyer of Wilderness Radio, my NC-40A shud be here tomorrow. Once I get it running on 40 meters, I plan on converting it down to 160! Wayne says its possible, and I need a 160 rig for contesting.

If the new version of the NC-40 works as well as my original NC-40 I bought from NorCal, I will be well satisfied.

73 rich

From qrp-1@lehigh.edu Thu Jul 20 19:11:00 1995
From: rubenc@iglou.com.inet
Subject: Re: Wilderness Radio NC40a arrives..

>To: bruce.florip@amail.amdahl.com
>In-Reply-To: <m0sYihx-0000G2C@juts.ccc.amdahl.com>
>MIME-Version: 1.0
>Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

> Anybody have any thoughts on the "current band of choice" ?
>
> I've heard of NorCals on 30, 40, and 80. Which gets the points for most fun?
>
>

Hi Bruce. Im considering a Norcal40A, but would rather have one on 30M.
Do they offer one that way? Im not as knowledgeable as many, in fact this
will only be my second attempt at a kit radio. (1st one was a FLOP -
Radiokit QRP-20)

Charlie